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In the National Intelligencer of the 25th instant Mr. Porter announces that he has secured by patent the "exclusive right to making gas from wood," and threatens presecution to all parties infringing his patent. I ask how this statement comports with the fact of my patent of December, 1851, and how far the threat can intimidate under such circumstances? Mr. Porter's claim is based upon a movable perforated diaphragm, and was so understood by the Patent Office, as it appears from the records of the Patent Office that his claim was at first refused as interfering with a prior patent to Robert Foulis, of Canada, for an equivalent contrivance. This claim, as given below, and in which the perferated diaphragm is the saving clause, is what Mr. Porter calls securing the "exclusive right to making gas from wood." The statement carries absurdity on its front, and is a libel on the good sense of the Patent Office If such a claim or right had been granted, it would forbid every coal-kiln and charcoal manufactory in the country.

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The untaught harmony of Spring; While, whispering pleasure as they fly, Cool zephyrs through the clear blue sky Their gather'd fragrance fling.

Where'er the oak's thick branches stretch, A broader, browner shade, Where'er the rude and moss grown beech With me the Muse shall sit and think (At ease reclined in rustic state,) How vain the ardor of the crowd, How low, how little, are the proud

Still is the toiling hand of Care; The panting herds repose : Yet hark, how through the peopled air The busy murmur glows! The insect youth are on the wing, Eager to taste the honeyed Spring, And float amid the liquid noon: Some lightly o'er the current skim, Some show their gaily gilded trim, Quick glancing to the sun.

To Contemplation's sober eye, Such is the race of men; And they that creep, and they that fly, Shall end where they began. Alike, the busy and the gay
But flutter through life's little day,
In Fortune's varying colors dressed:
Brushed by the hand of rough Mischance,
Or chilled by Age, their airy dance They leave, in dust to rest.

Methinks I hear, in accents low, The sportive kind reply; Poor moralist! and what art thou? A solitary fly! Thy joys no glittering female meets No hive hast thou of hoarded sweets, No painted plumage to display.
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Lamartine's History of Turkey. Messrs. D. Appleton & Co., of New York, have published the first volume of a translation of the History of Turkey, by A. de La-martine, author of the Girondists, &c. The work is to be completed in three volumes. We copy from the introductory chapter the follow-ing account of the personal appearance of the present Sultan, an interview with whom Lamartine describes. The Sultan had appointed a meeting with the Poet at "a small pavillion of retreat wherein he loved to meditate, remote from the noise and pomp of his palaces at Stamboul." Lamartine was then on his travels, and he copies this description, made at the time, from his note book. The interview took place several years after Abdul-Medjid succeeded his father, who died in 1840.

"On entering the kiosk, I looked around for the Sultan. He was standing almost in-

visible in the shade between the door and by Dr. Thompson, of Delaware: window, at the corner the least lighted in the room. The Sultan Abdul-Medjid is a young man of from twenty-six to twenty-seven year old, of an appearance rather more mature than his age. His figure is tall, elegant and slim. He bears his head with that gracefulness, at once supple and noble, which the length of neck gives to the bust of Alexander in his early youth. The features are regular, the forehead high, the eyes blue, the eyebrows arched as in the Caucassian races, the nose straight, the lips well cut and parted; the chin, that foundation of character in the human countenance, is firm and well set; the aggre gate leaves an impression rather attractive than imposing; you see a man who wishes to be loved rather than to be feared; he has the timidity of modesty in his general air, melancholy on his lips, and a precocious lassitude in the attitude; you perceive that this young man has thought and suffered before his time. But the feature that predominates is grave and meditative sensibility. You say to yourself: This man carries something weighty and holy in his thoughts like the interests of a people and he feels the weight and sanctity of the burden. Nothing of youth, nothing of levity in the expression. It is the statue of a young pontiff, rather than a young sovereign. The countenance inspires a certain tenderness of heart. You are haunted with the thought despite of yourself; that here is a man sacrificed to supreme power, who is young, handsome, all powerful, who will be doubtless great, but who will be never free, never without care, never happy. You pity, you love him, for amid his greatness he feels visibly his responsibilities. Every man in his empire may be happy except himself. The throne has taken him in his

"His apparel was simple, uniform, almost mourning suit. A tunic of dark drab reaching down to the knees, the neck bare, loose linen pantaloons over dark colored half-boots, a sabre without ornament on the hilt. His countenance alone could have discovered him to the crowd. I felt moved, attracted, affected

"While I was speaking to him he turned several times the pommel of his sword, upon which he was leaning, in his hand. He blushed and looked down as if he had the bashfulness of his virtue. We attended him to the exami-nation that he went to make in person, of the military youth in an adjoining institution." Lamartine can never view things or describe them but as a romancer and a poet, but his books are always agreeable.

A Marvelous Story of a Picture.

An original picture of Charles I, which was

supposed to have been lost in the time of the Commonwealth, when, to prevent discovery of the portrait, they reduced it in size by cutting it, has been found in Barnstable. It was was so black it could scarcely be perceived rotten that it broke away as it hung. For the last ten years it was in the possession of Mr. Ward, at the Seven Stars, Anchor Lane, and when he left the house and sold off, Mr. W. passed and re-passed, who asked the price of it, but thought they would consider the matter. At last Mr. Taylor saw it, and bought it for 2s. Within a week he was offered £20 for it. That

that he has been offered as much as \$2,000. But it is considered worth \$20,000, being one of the most valuable paintings known.

Lucy Stone Married Under Protest-Wo-man's Rights. The marriage of Lucy Stone, the great advo-cate of woman's rights, and Henry B. Blackwell, an active apostle of the same cause, took place at West Bloomfield, Mass., on the 1st instant. The nuptial ceremony, it appears, presented a feature without precedent in this,

or probably in any other country. It was the reading and singing by the bride and groom, in the presence of the wedding party, of the following extraordinary document: Protest-While we acknowledge our mutual affection, by publicly assuming the sacred rela-tionship of husband and wife, yet, in justice to ourselves and a great principle, we deem it a duty to declare that this act on our part implies no sanction of, nor promise of voluntary obedience to, such of the present laws of marriage as refuse to recognize the wife as an indepen-dent rational being, while they confer upon the husband an injurious and unnatural superiority, investing him with legal powers which no hon-

orable man would exercise, and which no man

should possess.

We protest especially against the laws which give to the husband—1. The custody of his wife's person. 2. The exclusive control and guardianship of their children. 3. The sole ownership of her personal, and use of her real estate, unless previously settled upon her, or placed in the hands of trustees, as in the case of minors, lunatics and idiots. 4. The absolute right to the product of her industry. 5. Also against laws which give to the widower so much arger and more permanent an interest in the property of his deceased wife than they give to the widow in that of her deceased husband. 6. Finally against the whole system by which "the legal existence of the wife is suspended during marriage," so that in most States she neither has a legal part in the choice of her residence, nor can she make a will, nor sue or be sued in her own name, nor inherit property We believe that personal independence and

radical injustice of present laws, by every means in their power. We believe that where domestic difficulties arise, no appeal should be made to legal tribunals under existing laws, but that all difficulties should be submitted to the equitable adjust

equal human rights can never be forfeited, ex-

cept for crime; that marriage should be an

equal and permanent partnership, and so re-

cognized by law; that until it is so recognized

married partners should provide against the

ment of arbitrators mutually chosen. Thus reverencing law, we enter our earnes protest against rules and customs which are unworthy of the name, since they violate justice, the essence of law. HENRY B. BLACKWELL, (Signed) LUCY STONE.

Medical Topography.

The American Medical Convention have before them the following resolutions proposed

Whereas, few subjects of greater interest and importance could be presented to the consideration of the American Medical Association now representing most of the States and Territories of the Union, than the attainment of a correct medical topography of each, with a history of its prevailing fevers and the most successful treatment of the same; therefore, be it

Resolved, That with this view and conviction, that this association now appoint a special committee from each State and Territory reesented, of - numbers, whose duty it shall be to report upon its medical topography, epidemic fevers and the most successul treatnent thereof, and that the same shall continue to hold their office for three years.

Resolved, That in the appointment of gendemen of education and experience in the affairs of their own State, we have the best guarantee that the important objects we seek will be most satisfactorily accomplished, and the profession as well as the public interest will thereby be better served.

Resolved, That the committee heretofore apointed by this association at its session in Charleston for a similar object, be, and the same are hereby, discharged. The convention subsequently appointed the

following committee of one from each State

upon the subject:
J. C. Winston, Bangor, Maine; Edmund R. Peaslee, of Dartmouth College, New Hamp-sbire; Joseph Perkins, Castleton, Vermont; George C. Shattuck, Boston, Massachusetts; Elias Hosker, New Haven, Connecticut; Joseph Mauran, Providence, Rhode Island; Joseph M. Smith, New York; Lynden A. Smith, Newark, New Jersey; Jacob M. Grenville, Hollidays-burg, Pennsylvania; James N. Thompson, Wilnington, Delaware; Peregrine Wroth, Chestertown, Maryland; Thomas Miller, Washing ton, District of Columbia; P. F. Peebles, Petersburg, Virginia; O. F. Mason, North Caro-lina; D. J. Kain, Charleston, S. Carolina; J. F. Posey, Savannah, Georgia; J. M. Clanton, Warsaw, Alabama; T. J. Grafton, Rodney, Mississippi; E. J. Fenner, New Orleans, Lou-isiana; D. S. B. Alleyne, St. Louis, Missouri; J. H. Murphy, Falls of St. Anthony, Minnesota Alfred L. Castleman, Delafield, Wisconsin; E. A. Arnold, Davenport, Iowa; Vierling Kearsey Milton, Indiana; John Evans, Chicago, Illinois; J. H. Beech, Cold Water, Michigan; G. Mendenhall, Cincinnati, Ohio; W. L. Saulton,

Georgetown, Kentucky; E. B. Hoskins, Clarks-

ville, Tennessee; Thomas Dillard, Philadel

Maryland, United States Army.

phia, United States Navy; Clement A. Finley,

The Late Emperor Nicholas. Dr. Mandi, the physician who attended the Czar Nicholas in his last illness, has published a circumstantial account of the closing scenes of the monarch's life, "At ten minutes pa 3," says the doctor, "he asked me, after I had painted by Vandyck in 1640, when the king was forty years of age, one year before the painter died. This painting had, for a great many years, heen thrown about as valueless; it quickening of pulsation. 'How,' said he, 'can Not a muscle of his face moved, not the least quickening of pulsation. 'How,' said he, 'can you find courage thus to doom me to death; to what it represented, and the frame was so tell me so to my face?" "First,' said I, 'by so doing I fulfil a promise made to you a year and a half ago; the moment of which you then spoke to me, alas! has come; moreover, I thus fulfil a duty to the Emperor. You have several Lewis, furniture broker, Silver street, bought it | hours to live; you are in full possession of your and took it home. It was thrown about for a faculties, and can direct them at your will; at long time under a heap of rubbish; at last it least, I believe so. Lastly, Sire, I love you, was picked up and ordered to be scrubbed with and this is not the moment to conceal the truth. a scrubbing-brush, and when done, it was hung which I am sure you can bear to hear.' His up in his ware rooms to dry. Several people countenance became serene, and he stretched

There is a kind of phisyogomy in the titles of books no less than in the faces of men, gave Mr. Taylor an idea of the value of it. He then took it to the National Gallery to know if there was such a painting missing, and had answer that there was, but finding that it had

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Interesting Relics.

A short time since we paid a visit to "Belle Air," the residence of L. W. Washington, esq., of this county, and having understood that Mr. W. was in possession of many most interesting relics of the Father of his Country, we went alone, thereby to be enabled more fully to enjoy the sight of, and, at the same time, to handle these precious remains of other days; and to make a note of all we were thus enabled to to make a note of all we were thus enabled to ook upon.

We were first shown a sword, and found on the parchment label thereto attached: "Presented to General Washington by Frederick the Great of Prussia," with the complimentary address, "from the oldest General in Europe to the greatest General in the World." This sword was worn by General Washington as his dress sword, when delivering his messages to Congress. It was chosen by his oldest nephew and executor, Col. William Augustine Washington, (in accordance with the will of Gen. W., leaving him the first choice of his swords, vide Gen. W.'s will,) and by him bequeathed in 1810 to his son, Col. George C. Washington, of Maryland, and by him to his only son, L. W. Washington, in 1864.

This sword is of exquisite finish, being a straight rapier with the highest polished steel hilt, and now in a most beautiful state of pres-We were first shown a sword, and found on

hilt, and now in a most beautiful state of preservation; in fact, it has the appearance of be ing perfectly new, it having been always kept with particular care. We were struck forcibly with the difference between the present of a distinguished King, to a remarkable General, and the voted presents by our Congress and Legislatures, to the distinguished military men of the present day. The compliment of the former consisted in the delicacy of the offering, the latter in the size and amount of gold

appended to the same.

We next had the pleasure to grasp the sword, appended to which we found the following inscription on parchment: "Worn by Gen. Washington on funeral occasions during the Revolutionary war, and chosen (in accordance with his will) by his nephew, Judge Bushrod Washington, of Mount Vernon, and by him bequeathed in 1826 to his nephew, Col. George C. Washington, and by him in 1854 to his only son, L. W. Washington." Then we examined a pistol (one of a pair) presented by Lafayette to General Washington, and used by him durto General Washington, and used by him during the Revolutionary war, from whom it descended to his nephew, Judge Bushrod Washington, and by him bequeathed in 1826 to his nephew, Colonel George C. Washington, and by him to his son, L. W. Washington, in 1854.

After laying aside this interesting memento of our country's friend, gallant defender, and personal friend of Washington, we took in hand the desk knife used by our country's father during our struggle for independence, which made and mended many a pen which was the instrument used to convey the reflecwas the instrument used to convey the reflec-

tions of our chief, when even his firmness was

shaken by the difficulties and forebodings

which overshadowed our glorious undertaking

for freedom's cause and a great nation's future prosperity. This knife has engraved on the ivory handle, "General George Washington

We were curious enough to stretch our pocket tape-line on the sword-belt, as worn by Gen. W., and found it to measure 40 inchesshowing that for a man devoid of corpulence, there was a manly frame. Next we had the pleasure to inspect a case of rare and peculiar containing a surveyor's compass made by David Rittenhouse, of Philadelphia, the friend of Benjamin Franklin. Also, two levels, one used during the Revolutionary war as a gun-ner's level, the other for adjusting the surveyor's case, scales, protractors, &c., complete.
A shagreen containing all the protracting instruments, in very fine order, and two surveyor's chains, together with the wooden pins used with the same. It is certain that these interesting relicts have been preserved with great care by those who have possessed them, and we feel assured that they are now in hands where they are fully appreciated, and will be taken care of until the next generation shall claim their keeping. These instruments were used by General Washington in 1749, when he was 17 years of age. They were carefully pre-served by the General, and at his death in 1799, they descended to his oldest nephew and executor, Col. William Augustine Washington, of Haywood, Westmoreland county, Va., at whose death in 1826, they descended to his son, Col. George C. Washington, of Maryland, by whom they were presented, February 10, 1854, to his son, Lewis W. Washington, of Belle Air, Jefferson county, Va.

These relics have been in Maryland since 1810, and are again returned to Virginia, where their first polish was worn off 106 years since. They certainly must be looked upon as the most interesting mementos connected with the early history of Washington. Each year adds an additional interest to these relics, and in time they certainly must be looked upon as the rarest curiosities connected with the early history of our country, and particularly with respect to him who was so justly styled "the

Father of his country."

Mr. Washington also kindly showed us many letters from the General's brothers, nephews, nieces, and distant relatives, (Mr. W. having nearly all the private correspondence of the General,) therefore has in his possession much that is interesting, as connected with the Washington family, and also the confidential correspondence of the distin-guished men of the days of the Revolution with General Washington, on subjects of peculiar interest.

We have been thus particular with reference to our notes of dates and facts connected with these interesting relics, as they are matters deeply connected with the history of our coun-Many articles of much interest shown us by Mr. Washington we have omitted to men-tion, being particularly absorbed with those which presented an attraction so rare and pleasing. Charlestown Free Press.

Royalty and the Italian Opera. Last night the grand event came off which has been so long anticipated, which has excited an interest so intense in all circles, and to witness which sums of money have been given unexampled in the annals even of the Italian Opera. Her Majesty the Queen of England, in company with her distinguished guests and allies the Emperor and Empress of the French, attended the Royal Italian Opera in state, and Beethoven's opera of "Fidelio" was performed by command.

Since the "Comte Ory" was played on Tues-day night, the whole interior of the theatre, as if by magic, had changed its aspect. Perhaps so much was never done before in so short a time—scarcely forty five hours having elapsed between the end of one representation and the beginning of the other. The occasion, however, was worth any amount of exertion, and Mr. Gye, who has had long experience in such matters, and whose taste in decoration is un rivalled, was not likely to let it pass without doing honor to his illustrious visitors and credit to himself. The Royal box, situated, as before,